S. No.	State/Towns
10.	Mathabhanga
11.	Ashoknagr. - Kalyangrh
12.	Old Malda
13.	Birnagar
14.	Multi
15.	Memari
16.	Kaliganj
17.	Gobardanga
18.	Chandrakona
19.	Kandi
20.	Guskara
XXII.	PONDICHERRY
1.	Ariyamkuppam

Construction of Yamuna Sports Complex

4244. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the area in hectares on which the Yamuna Sports Complex is being constructed and the date on which its construction started including the total estimated cost for its construction alongwith the details of expenditure incurred so far, if any on this sports complex;

(b) whether its construction work has been completed, if not, the reasons therefor and the present status of the construction work together with the details of the sports facilities available there; and

(c) the time by when the construction work of Yamuna Sports Complex will be completed and by when it will be ready for use and the sports facilities likely to be offered there alongwith the criteria for making them available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) The Delhi Development Authority have reported that the Yamuna Sports Complex is being constructed on an area of about 30 hectares. Its construction started in 1989 with the estimated cost of Rs. 50 crores. So far, an expenditure of Rs. 10 crores has been incurred on its construction.

(b) The construction work has not yet been completed as required funds could not be arranged. However, the work of roads, drinking water supply, sewer and the development of the area has been completed.

At present, the facilities of hockey cricket, football, volleyball, badminton and tennis are vailable in this Complex.

(c) The construction work of Yamuna Sports Complex is to be completed within a period of four years, subject to availability of funds. In addition to the above facilities, facilities for Gymnasium, swimming pool, and outdoor stadium are to be provided on completion of the construction of the Complex. These facilities will be made available on the basis of Membership.

Accommodation to freedom fighters

4245 SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government accommodation is being provided to Freedom Fighters in Delhi;

(b) if so, on what grounds and for what period;

(c) whether there is any proposal for extending similar facilities in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OI URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Freedom Fighters of All India Standing who do not own a house or flat in Delhi are allotted General Pool accommodation for the bonafide medical treatment of themselves or their spouse(s). These allotments are made on the recommendation of the Ministry of Home Affairs and those above 70 years are allotted accommodation for lifetime.

(c) and (d) Due to acute shortage of General Pool accommodation, there is no proposal under consideration for extending the above facility in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

Recommendation of National Agriculture commission and Vaidyanathan

4246. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that water supply rates for irrigation in the country from 2-3 per cent of the value of agricultural product;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the National Agriculture Commission and Vaidyanathan Committee had recommended 5-10 per cent and 6 per cent respectively for the purpose; and

(c) whether Government have taken any decision in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) According to Vaidyanathan Committee on Pricing of Irrigation Water, in no State, Water rates per hectare account for more than three percent of the gross productivity per hectare of irrigated area. Although National Commission on Agriculture (1976) did not recommend any specific water charges, Irrigation Commission (1972) recommended five to twelve percent of gross income, the upper limit being applicable to cash crops. The Vaidyanathan Committee recommended on an average Rs. 310 per hectare as irrigation charges which would still be barely six percent of the gross produce per hectare of the irrigated area.

(c) The Planning Commission set up a Group of Officials (GOO) under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Planning Commission in December, 1992 for studying the recommendations of the Vaidyanathan Committee and suggestions thereon to the Planning Commission to take a final view in the matter. The GOO submitted its reports to the Planning Commission in December, 1994. The copy of the report of the Vaidyanathan Committee alongwtih the recommendations made in the report of the GOO has been sent by the Planning Commission to all the States for their consideration and taking further action as deemed necessary.

Modernisation of sone canal project

4247. SHRI AAS MOHAMMAD: Will the Minister of WATE RRESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approved the first phase modernisation of Sone Canal Project;

(b) if so, details thereof; and